Amendment No. 1 to HB3177

## <u>Lynn</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 3154

House Bill No. 3177\*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-148(a)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(2) Any restriction under subdivision (a)(1) shall not be binding on a healthcare provider who has been employed by, or under contract with, the employing or contracting entity for at least six (6) years unless the healthcare provider and the employing or contracting entity mutually agree to extend the six (6) year period for a term not to exceed six (6) years. The healthcare provider and the employing or contracting entity may agree to an unlimited number of extensions of the six (6) year period so long as the extension is in writing, is supported by consideration, and each extension does not exceed a term of six (6) years.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.